Ethics of Medical Council of India it has been prescribed that a physician shall not give, solicit, or receive nor shall he offer to give, solicit or received, any gift, gratutiy, commission or bonus in consideration of or return for the referring, recommending or procuring by a physician of any person, specimen or material for diagnostic, or other study or work. The Medical Council of India or the State Medical Councils are empowered to award such punishment as deemed necessary or even removal of the name of any registered practitioner from the Register altogether or for a specified period in respect of any act of violation of the Code of Ethics which may be brought before it, after conducting an enquiry.

Male Technicians in Safdarjung Hospital

1231. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in Safdarjung Hospital, many techniclans e.g., screening, X-ray, Ultrasound etc., are male who undertake the tests for both male and female patients and females have to undress before such male technicians thereby subjecting them to traumatic embarrassment; and

(b) if so, the steps taken/contemplated to put a stop to this practice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (b) X-ray of female patients are normally done by available female technicians. In the absence of female technicians, the investigation procedures are undertaken in the presense of female nursing staff. Screening, X-ray and ultrasound are undertaken by the doctors in the presence of female nursing staff who are posted permanently in the said department.

Medical Treatment for Retired Officers in CGHS Recognised Hospitals

1232. SHRI KAILASH JOSHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to allow the retired class-I officers to go direct for medical treatment in CHGS recognized hospitals in view of the difficulties being faced by them;